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clearly in Capatun, which is more than all the others put together.

Whatever assistance may be given to the Chinese Government in protecting its revenue should be given without creating any undue impression as to where the sovereignty lies. The British Government is pledged to render the Chinese Government certain assistance in the protection of its revenue, and apart from the written pledge, common equity demands that the colony should not seek to use the advantages conferred by its geographical position for smuggling purposes; but whatever it may finally be decided to do on behalf of the Chinese revenue let it be done under our own flag and not under the Chinese flag.

The Customs will no doubt continue to maintain an office in the colony; they also maintain one in London, but let it be an office existing simply for statistical purposes and not exercising any coercive jurisdiction. In the letter addressed by the China Association to the Marquess of Salisbury in November last, the following passage occurs:—"The Kowloon Commissioner is, as a matter of fact, located in Hongkong, where he has an office and staff. His presence is not, however, recognised officially; nor, thanks to a great measure, no doubt, to the discretion of the officers who have held the post, has his presence been seriously resented. No very definite objection could, in fact, be offered so long as no official status was assumed, nor official action unduly intruded. It is quite another thing, however, when the Government is asked to formally recognise the presence in Hongkong of an Imperial Chinese Customs official and a Customs office and staff. From now until October, the date fixed for the removal of the Customs station, is not a very long time, but even for that period, brief as it is, it is in the last degree undesirable that the Chinese flag should be allowed to fly in the colony under circumstances calculated to convey the impression that Chinese jurisdiction is still existing."

There were 1,100 visitors to the City Hall Museum last week, of whom 339 were Europeans.

We would remind our readers of the annual meeting of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce to be held at St. John's Cathedral this afternoon.

A Malay man named at Peking the other day killed four persons and wounded five. A police corporal stopped his career by shooting him dead.

The M. S. steamer *Indra*, which left Hongkong at 5 a.m. on the 23rd April, arrived at Canton on the 25th, having made the passage within fifty-five hours.

The *Bole* Mariner, referring to the *Laurel* and the *Bole* Mariner, which were arrested at the Customhouse, says that the *Bole* Mariner was a vessel of 100 tons, and the *Laurel* was a vessel of 150 tons.

There will be a hockey match today at 5 p.m. Sharp, Club, Navy, Brown, Cadie, Cox, Loring, Moore, Owen, Pugh, Thoburn, Tulloh, Thomson, and Wakefield are to represent the Navy.

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The British Chamber of Commerce is not likely to receive much support, because its expenses are more than its income. It is more than 100 years old, and its income is more than its expenses.

It is stated from Wuhan that an Imperial Chinese official, Mr. Wang, has been appointed to the post of Chinese Customs official at Hongkong. He is a native of the province of Hubei, and has been in the service of the Chinese Government for many years.

George Lott, formerly of the *Stag* hotel, who was charged with the murder of a woman, was found guilty of the crime. He was sentenced to life imprisonment.

We have from a private source that affairs in the north-western portion of the Kowloon are still in a very disturbed and lawless condition. The district is infested with hordes of armed ruffians, who are holding up the people and demanding ransom money.

In the Supreme Court at Shanghai Mr. J. McPherson, chief engineer lately in the employ of the Chinese Merchants' Co., sued Mr. W. W. W. for damages of £1,000 for the loss of a ship. The case was heard by the judge, who found in favour of the plaintiff.

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## AUCTIONS

## PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undergrated has received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on TUESDAY, the 2nd day of May, 1899, at 12.30 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, No. 54, Queen's Road Central, SUNDREY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, including a TAPESTRY with PLUSH COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE, AMERICAN ALLOTT COVERED DINING ROOM SUITE, MARBLE TOP CENTRE and SIDE TABLES, BEVELLED GLASS OVRMANTLES, PICTURES and ORNAMENTS, CANTON BLACKWOOD TABLES and STANDS, EXTENSION DINING TABLE, BEVELLED GLASS SIDEBOARDS, DINING WAGGONS, and WRITING TABLES, CROCKERY, GLASS and PLATED WARE, DOUBLE and SINGLE IRON BED-STEADS, TWO HANDSOME WARDROBES with BEVELLED GLASS DOORS, MARBLE TOP BUREAU with BEVELLED GLASS, MARBLE TOP WASHBASIN, ONE GENT'S and one LADY'S BICYCLES, ONE COTTAGE PIANO, by J. Broadwood & Son, One GOLD WATCH, An Invaluable CARPETS and HEARTH RUGS, Assorted Suits, etc., etc., TERMS OF SALE—As Customary. V. I. REMEDIOS, Auctioneer, Hongkong, 20th April, 1899. [1191]

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION

No. 233. THE following Particulars of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held on the 2nd day of May, 1899, at 3 p.m., are published for general information. By Command, J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary, Hongkong, 16th April, 1899. [1172]

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

Lot No.	Area	Boundaries	Remarks
1	1/2 Acre	Fronting the Victoria Road, between the Victoria Road and the Victoria Road.	Lot 1, 1/2 Acre, fronting the Victoria Road, between the Victoria Road and the Victoria Road.
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## HONGKONG BRANCH

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## INTEREST ALLOWED

On Current Accounts: 2% 3 months. On Fixed Deposits: 3 months. On Fixed Deposits: 6 months. On Fixed Deposits: 12 months. The Bank buys and sells and receives for collection Bills of Exchange on and transacts general banking business with the above places. CHARTREY INCHBALD, Manager, Hongkong, 1st January, 1899. [107]

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The Undergrated, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates. SIEMSEN & CO., Agents, Hongkong, 18th November, 1898. [122]

## PHENIX FIRE OFFICE

The Undergrated are now prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates. SIEMSEN & CO., Agents, Hongkong, 17th August, 1899. [125]

## HANSSEATISCHE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG

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